

COMMISSARY BUILDING
FT. GIBSON, OKLAHOMA

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COMMISSARY BUILDING, FORT GIBSON
FORT GIBSON, OKLA.

The Commissary, one of the group of buildings comprising Fort Gibson, was constructed of sand stone about the same time as the Barracks Building in 1845, and was used for the storing of commissary supplies.

Mrs. C. B. Kagy of Fort Gibson states that during the Civil War the Union troops shot their cattle, leaving them with little to eat although the government paid them for the cattle killed, but at the time the citizens had nothing more than bread and wild onions fried in tallow to eat.

A group of officers wished Mrs. Kagy's mother to prepare meals for them and when she explained that she had nothing to cook they gave her the keys to the commissary building and contracted with her to cook the food for them out of the commissary supplies.

"Cherokee Bill", a notorious killer of forty years ago, killed his first man at a dance in this building. (Statement by Mr. Colson, a tenant now living in the building.)

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This building is now used as a storage warehouse and residence on the first floor and for live stock in the basement. It is now owned by Mr. John Parnell of Fort, Gibson.

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